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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MTN SUBGROUPS DAIRY AND MEAT MEETINGS

REF: A) GENEVA 323, B) GENEVA 363, C) GENEVA 508

1. IN THE COURSE OF PRIVATE MEETING OF KEY COUNTRIES JACQUOT(EC) EXPLAINED WHY THE EC WISHES TO HAVE MEETINGS OF THE SUBGROUPS DAIRY AND MEAT WITHIN THE NEXT WEEKS. JACQUOT SAID ONE REASON IS THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF HAVING SUCH MEETINGS BEFORE THE END OF THE GRAIN CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 23. THE OTHER REASON IS THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NECESSITY FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS OF THESE SUBGROUPS TO AGREE THAT THEY WILL ENTER BILATERAL AND PLURILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS ON DAIRY AND MEAT.

2. WHEN QUESTIONED BY VARIOUS DELEGATIONS WHY A SPECIAL AGREEMENT FOR HOLDING BILATERAL OR PLURILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS IS NECESSARY SINCE IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT SUCH

NEGOTIATIONS WOULD TAKE PLACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE JULY 1977 DECISION OF GROUP AGRICULTURE, JACQUOT CONCEDED THAT THE COMMUNITY FOR POLITICAL AND PSYCOLOGICAL REASONS NEEDS THE BLESSING OF THE TWO SUBGROUPS IN ORDER TO ENGAGE NEGOTIATIONS IN THESE COMMODITY FIELDS.

- 3. WHEN ASKED FOR THE TYPE OF BLESSING HE NEEDS, I.E. WHAT TEXT HE WISHES THE GROUP TO ADOPT AT THEIR NEXT MEETING, JACQUOT SAID THAT APART FROM AGREEING TO ENTER PLURILATERAL OR BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS ON MEAT AND DAIRY PRODUCTS, DELEGATES MUST ALSO "PRONOUNCE THEMSELVES ON THE WORKING HYPOTHESES" SUBMITTED TO THE GROUPS. HE ALSO SPOKE OF A GROUP AGREEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF "INTEGRATING THE RESULTS OF BILATERAL OR PLURILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS INTO THE MULTILATERAL ASPECTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS" AND OF AGREEING THAT "THE RESULTS OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS BE PART AND PARCEL OF THE SOLUTIONS AIMED AT BY THE MEAT OR DAIRY SUBGROUPS.
- 4. THE AUSTRALIAN DEL (FOGARTY) SAW DIFFICULTIES WITH AN EARLY MEETING OF THE TWO SUBGROUPS PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT DELEGATIONS WOULD NOT BE READY SINCE IT HAD BEEN GENERALLY EXPECTED THAT THESE WOULD NOT MEET BEFORE THE MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY. HOWEVER, CANADA, NEW ZEALAND AND JAPAN WERE APPARENTLY WILLING TO GO ALONG WITH EARLY MEETINGS. THE U.S. DEL STATED THAT U.S. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ATTITUDE TOWARDS EC PROPOSAL HAS TO BE DECIDED IN WASHINGTON AND THAT HE WILL REQUEST EARLY INSTRUCTIONS.

- 5. PENOING U.S. APPROVAL, THE GROUP AGREED TO HOLD MEETINGS OF THE TWO SUBGROUPS DURING THE WEEK BEGINNING JANUARY 30.
- 6. PLEASE ADVISE ASAPIF US ACCEPTS PROPOSED MEETING DATES.
- 7. DRAFTED BY KOENIG. MCDONALD

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